BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the City of) Application No. 911-023.36
Lincoln/Lancaster County,)
Public Safety Answering Point,)
seeking funding approval for) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
recurring and non-recurring)
costs associated with Enhanced)
Wireless 911 implementation.) Entered: May 8, 2007

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding received February 8, 2007, City of Lincoln/Lancaster County, Public Safety Answering Point, (City of Lincoln/Lancaster County) seeks funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund for expenses of implementing and providing Phase II enhanced wireless 911 service. The local exchange carrier serving the City of Lincoln/Lancaster County's PSAP is Windstream.

The City of Lincoln/Lancaster County entered into a service agreement with Windstream for enhanced wireless 911 equipment and services, including costs for the implementation and provision of Phase II service. A copy of the agreement has been provided. The City of Lincoln/Lancaster County has provided documentation showing that it has paid to Windstream \$2,115.00 in costs relating to Phase II implementation. In the agreement, the City of Lincoln/Lancaster County authorizes all future payments to be made directly to Windstream.

The City of Lincoln/Lancaster County now seeks reimbursement of initial costs to implement and provide Phase II enhanced wireless 911 service as outlined in Appendix A attached hereto. Initial costs are to activate E2 interface, test link and upgrade database to allow location coordinates to pass through to the public safety answering point (PSAP.)

The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board recommended at its March 23, 2007 meeting, that the Commission pay from the Fund Phase II LEC costs.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

This request for funding is being processed pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat.* §§ 86-444 to 86-456 (2006 Cum. Supp.), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, and Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002.

Costs requested in the present funding request are eligible under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-86-465(2)(a) (2006 Cum. Supp.). All costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the purchase, installation, maintenance and operation of telecommunications equipment and telecommunications services required for the provision of enhanced wireless 911 service.

The Commission finds that payment should be made to the City of Lincoln/Lancaster County consistent with the amounts set forth in Appendix A. Any future implementations shall also be paid consistent with amounts set forth in Appendix A and shall be made directly to Windstream once each implementation is complete. City of Lincoln/Lancaster County shall notify the Commission in writing that an implementation has been completed and payments shall be adjusted accordingly based on the rates set forth in Appendix A.

Based upon the request for funding and supporting documentation, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the request for funding should be granted.

Information set forth in Appendix A shall be treated as proprietary and confidential.

Any adjustments to rates must be approved by the Commission.

The Commission further finds that the City of Lincoln/Lancaster County is on notice and is aware that approval of this funding request is made with the understanding that it may be modified in the future, consistent with the permanent funding mechanism established pursuant to LB 1222 [2006].

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that City of Lincoln/Lancaster County's request for funding shall be granted consistent with the terms set forth herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall remit to the City of Lincoln/Lancaster County \$2,115.00 consistent with the terms herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall remit to Windstream amounts that comport with Appendix A attached hereto once each implementation is complete.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that the City of Lincoln/Lancaster County is on notice and aware that approval of this funding request is made with the understanding that it may be modified in the future, consistent with the permanent funding mechanism established pursuant to LB 1222 [2006].

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 8th day of May, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director